total exports of Rifampicin during April—December, 1988 were of the order of Rs. 12.40 lakhs and major countries of exports are Philippines, Taiwan, West Germany, Thailand and Bangladesh. Since raw materials required for production of Rifampicin are on OGL their prices are not monitored. In the background of certain allegations of over invoicing in the import of penultimate intermediate, the sale price of Rifampicin bulk drug was reduced from Rs. 3,000 per Kg. to Rs. 2,500 per Kg. as some quantities of Rifampicin were imported by IDPL at US $ 145 per kg.

Government have constituted a Committee to look into the entire issue regarding Rifampicin pricing keeping in view the imported price of various intermediates.

उत्तर प्रदेश में मतदाता सूचियों का संशोधन

2535. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय:** क्या विधि और न्याय मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या उत्तर प्रदेश में मतदाता सूचियों में संशोधन करने का कार्य चल रहा है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस कार्य के कब तक पूरा हो जाने की संभावना है; और

(ग) 18 से 21 वर्ष के आयु-वर्ग के अनुमानतया कितने युवक-युवतियां मताधिकार प्राप्त करने के लिए पात्र होंगे ?

विधि और न्याय मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री हंसराज भारद्वाज) : (क) जी हां।

(ख) निर्वाचक नामावलियों का अंतिम रूप से प्रकाशन जून, 1989 में होने की संभावना है।

(ग) निर्वाचन आयोग का यह अनुमान है कि तारीख 1.4.1989 को, 18 से 21 वर्ष आयु-समूह के नए मतदाताओं की अनुमानित संख्या, प्रति निर्वाचन-क्षेत्र के मतदाताओं की विद्यमान संख्या की लगभग 11 प्रतिशत होगी।

Import of Cancer Drugs

2536. CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK:

DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that anti-Cancer drugs such as Vinblastine and Vincrestine are allowed for import in the country;

(b) whether it is also a fact that these drugs are produced in the country from basic stages;

(c) whether it is also a fact that these drugs are exported to U.S.A., UK and other countries;

(d) if so, what was the quantity of each drug exported during the last two years, yearwise;

(e) whether it is also a fact that indigenous production can meet not only country's requirement but also can meet total world's requirement; and

(f) if so, what are the reasons for allowing imports by wasting valuable foreign exchange and thus destabilising indigenous industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) Import of anti-cancer drugs such as Vinblastine Sulphate injection and Vincristine Sulphate injection are allowed for import under OGL.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) Export of drugs is allowed on decontrolled basis and without export licence. Particulars of imports & exports are published in the 'Monthly Statistics of Foreign Trade of India' Volume I & II, copies of which are available in the Parliament Library. Latest issue of the publication pertains to 1985-86.

(e) and (f) These drugs are allowed for import under OGL to avoid any short supply of these life saving drugs.

Import of Drugs under OGL

2537. CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK:
DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of drugs are allowed for import under OGL, which are indigenously produced and exported;

(b) if so, what are the names of those drugs;

(c) what was the quantity of each of the above drugs imported during the last two years, year-wise;

(d) what was the export of each drug during the same period; and

(e) what are the basis to allow import of such drugs and what is Government's policy in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a), (b) and (e) Major drugs which are indigenously produced and also exported to a limited extent are given below:—

1. Cephalexin
2. Chloropheniramine Maleate
3. Danazole
4. Pyrantel pamoate
5. Norfloxacin
6. Ranitidine Hcl.

These drugs are also allowed for import under OGL to avoid any short supply of these life saving drugs.

(c) and (d) Particulars of imports and exports are published in the 'Monthly Statistics of Foreign Trade of India' Volume I & II, copies of which are available in the Parliament Library. Latest issue of the publication pertains to 1985-86.

Import of Vincrestine and Vinblestine Injections

2538. SHRI NARAYAN KAR:
DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Vincrestine and Vinblestine Injections are allowed for import under OGL;

(b) if so, the quantity of each of the above, imported during the last two years, yearwise along with the names of importers and CIF price of each Injection;

(c) whether it is also a fact that these products are formulations of the drugs being exported from India;

(d) whether it is also a fact that these Injections are produced in the country;

(e) if so, what are the reasons for keeping these medicines on OGL list of import policy; and

(f) by when this policy will be reviewed and changes made?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) Import of Vincrestine Sulphate Injection and Vinblestine Sulphate Injection is allowed under OGL.

(b) Particulars of imports are published in the 'Monthly Statistics of Foreign Trade of India', Volume I & II, copies of which are available in the Parliament library. Statistics regarding c.i.f. import price are not maintained.

(c) and (d) Yes Sir.

(e) and (f) The Import Policy for a drug is determined keeping in view all relevant factors, including its domestic demand, indigenous production on import of these drugs could be considered after the country has attained self-sufficiency in these drugs.